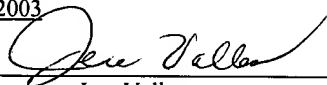


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<u>In re</u> application of: Choong <i>et al.</i>	Examiner: D. Naff
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RESPONSE

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated February 11, 2003, in the above-identified application. The response is timely filed with a Petition for One Month Extension of Time and the requisite fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. A-70504/RMS/RFT/NBC).

Applicants submit that the following Amendments and Remarks are in conformance with the Pre-OG Notice entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted" signed and dated January 31, 2003. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks, including arguments, begin on page 3 of this paper.

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